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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : David E. Weinstein

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For : NOVEL GROWTH FACTOR OPA1 AND USES THEREOF

Examiner : S. Devi

Group Art Unit : 1641

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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JUNE 19, 2000 OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the June 19, 2000 Office Action, the Examiner required applicant to elect certain claims for prosecution in the above-identified application. In response to the restriction requirement, applicant's undersigned attorney, on behalf of applicant, hereby elects to prosecute Group I, Claims 1-7, 14-23 and 28. No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. If any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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